## Message

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**Subject**: Confirm Receipt: Conspiracy?

## To Whom This Concerns:

Marc Edwards today appears to have implicated the EPA in bringing a fraud to his doorstep. That fraud, who would indeed be Marc Edwards' "worst nightmare" in court, albeit not for the reasons he thinks, gave me the red-line edits of his bizarre mea culpa because he's an idiot. This idiot's mea culpa was started on 6/16/2018 and was not published until 7/11/2018 - two days after the lawsuit was filed.

In implicating the EPA, Marc Edwards included a message from Mark Durno that essentially said that Scott Smith flipped and agreed to go after the (not) "unscrupulous activists" to advance a message that water which looks and smells like piss shall from here on after be referred to as sparkling clean spring water. There may be some slight hyperbole in my summarizing, but not really that much.

Knowing that the bullying of the idiot fraud was mentioned in the Flint Complaint letter, all of these idiots together decided to fabricate evidence in the form of this bizarre mea culpa that miraculously popped up at the same time as the lawsuit.

How do I know this? Because I have the red-line edits. Look carefully at the red-line edits for the section on non-profits and activists -- specifically the changes from the first iteration to version 2 (some significant changes) and version 3 (substantial iterations designed specifically to frame up the lawsuit with even better false statements against my clients). I wondered why Marc used the phrasing, "they forced **our** hand" in the press like he had a mouse in his pocket. Now, it's all starting to make a little more sense.

What is incredible here is that the mea culpa was written only under the name of <u>Scott C. Smith</u>, but Marc Edwards -- who appears to be the ringleader of the idiot brigade -- <u>had to include his email</u> to Mr. Del Toral that said he would "jointly work up something mutually agreeable in writing for release on Flintwaterstudy." So that looks like Marc himself created material evidence from whole cloth.

Not only does it look like evidence was created from whole cloth, but even after I established that it was bogus, Marc created more words for the idiot fraud (Smith) in the hopes (at least that's what it looks like) of keeping this whole idiotic fraud going: "In a phone call this morning (7-28-2018), Mr. Smith again affirmed that he was sorry about his flawed scientific statements from 2016-2017, and that he still stood by his public retraction and apology."

How do I know it is bogus? Because the idiot fraud <u>sent my client emails</u> saying he was "more right than he was wrong" and more claims that bathing isn't safe while working in super snake oil sponge sales pitches. Additionally, he <u>said this to me</u> this week and his <u>statements on June 4th</u> (people don't change that fast).

## Additionally, Mr. Smith did the following idiotic fraud things this week:

- (1) Told me Edwards destroyed his life and went right up to the edge of libel;
- (2) Told me he's Edwards' worst nightmare in court;
- (3) Told me his "loyalty" is to Nonresponsive
- (4) Told me that Bob Bowcock, Laura Sullivan and Ben Pauli are part of a secret conspiracy with Edwards that is using the feud between Virginia Tech and Wayne State to "frame" [Nonresponsive] and that she is being "played" (this is crackpot nonsense designed to go after the rest of the activist community);

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	ed in a "conspiracy" with CNN and that I sh		
of a CNN reporter asking I	him why he was telling Flint residents that h	is filter cured HIV and made cows prod	luce 40% more milk - really;

- (7) Told residents that his "lawyers" made him do the mea culpa claimed to me in an email that it was his personal attorney in Massachusetts and his IP attorney.
- (8) Told at least one other resident that Edwards threatened his family.
- (9) Generally tried to work me for information and tried to get me to make a false admission on behalf of my client by making active assertions of (false) fact negative to my client in a misleading way as though it were exculpatory.

Separately from this, and it was not included in the post that I wrote up or the prior email because I did not get a clean enough listen, but Smith told me this week that he had some financial incentive indirectly through Edwards (saying a product is scientifically sound and references but I did admittedly not hear this part cleanly). This makes sense because the idiot fraud is going through a foreclosure.

So what this looks like is completely manufactured evidence for a completely manufactured lawsuit with a chaos agent dispatched to manufacture more evidence by reaching out in a deceptive way to residents who signed the Flint Complaints letter, working the opposing attorney for information, playing games to try to divide my clients from one another and from community support, and trying to defraud false confessions out of people.

But that's not enough, Marc Edwards had to go one step further appearing to say that the EPA is in on it -- that the EPA brought the fraud to his doorstep -- along with references to "forced **our** hand" like he has a mouse in his pocket and including Mr. Durno's email which openly states that they flipped Scott Smith and that he will help them message against the views that residents and activists have on the water (frankly, that it looks and smells more like piss than like Aquafina) right as this SLAPP lawsuit emerges.

But wait there's more as Edwards used a Virginia Tech backed donor funded website (previously known as his revenge blog) as his own private confessional in addition to his private lawsuit promotional site so they get a retention letter, too.

All of the idiots including Marc Edwards, Mark Durno, Miguel Del Toral, the EPA, Virginia Tech's officers, employees and agents (and Scott Smith - I'll get to him under separate cover) need to retain all of your personal and professional communications of any type that in any way involve my clients Nonresponsive

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as well as all communications amongst each other (all of the idiots) including notes, carrier pigeon messages, emails, Twitter direct messages, Facebook messages, Signal message, WhatsApp messages, text messages, phone records and any other form of communication between each of you going back until at least April 2017.

For the sake of not sending the same email four and five times over, I'm including each of you on this email. **Hint:** If I'm right, whoever snitches first wins.

This letter is my understanding and cites to the basis for each statement. In the event that there is a less scandalous explanation to this nonsense, I'm all ears. From where I'm sitting, this situation does not look and smell like Aquafina to me, but I would be delighted to hear a credible innocent explanation.

Does anybody have one? I'll wait here.

Respectfully, William Moran II - Partner Hawgood, Hawgood & Moran LLP (208)242-8413

Note: I am licensed in Maryland and the US District of Maryland. In the event of litigation, I will be appearing pro hac vice through either my partner Alexander Hawgood or Arthur Hawgood who are cc'd on this message.

<sup>(6)</sup> Asked at least two residents - Nonresponsive and Nonresponsive - whether they signed the Flint Complaints letter that looks to be in furtherance of Edwards' threat;